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In re Application of: **Ecker, Griffey, Crooke, Sampath, Swayze, Hofstadler, and McNeil**

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Office Action dated February 7, 2008 in regard to the above-identified patent application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows. The period for responding to the Office Action has been extended, by enclosure of a petition and appropriate fee, to and through August 7, 2008.

Amendment of the Specification begins at page 2.

Remarks begin at page 3.